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SUBJECT: WREATHS FOR CHOU EN-LAI AT THE MARTYRS' MONUMENT

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1. SINCE REFTEL (MARCH 31), WREATH LAYING IN TRIBUTE TO CHOU EN-LAI AT THE MARTYRS' MONUMENT HAS BECOME A MORE MASSIVE, RELATIVELY MORE ORGANIZED AND AT THE SAME TIMEEE DISTINCTLY MORE POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

2. THE SCENE IS BEGINNING TO RESEMBLE THE ONE AT THIS SAME LOCATION LAST JANUARY, WITH ROW UPON ROW OF WREATHS ON THE FOUR SIDES OF THE MONUMENT, WHITE PAPER FLOWERS COVERING THE BORDERING HEDGES, AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MILLING IN THE SQUARE. BUT INSCRIPTIONS AND BANNERS PUT UP ON APRIL 1 AND 2 MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THIS TIME SOME OF THE ACTIVITY IS VERY MUCH PART OF THE CURRENT POLITICAL STRUGGLE.

3. SOME INSCRIPTIONS TO CHOU ON WREATHS AND BANNERS PRAISE HIM AS THE "PEOPLE'S PREMIER"; OTHER APPEAR TO THREATEN ANYONE WHO WOULD ATTACK HIS MEMORY; AND A FEW LOOK LIKE ATTACKS ON THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ATTACKING TENG HSIAO-PING. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS LAST KIND IS A LENGTHY POEM ATTACKING THOSE "ROOSTERS AND HENS" WHO OPPOSE RESTORATION BUT ARE PRACTICING RESTORATION" AND

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PROMISING THAT "THOSE BUSY LITTLE CLOWNS WHO SCHEME TO OPPOSE

PREMIER CHOU DEFINITELY WILL NOT COME TO A GOOD END."

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